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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated June 7, 2004, finally rejecting claims 1, 3-11, and 13-20, applicants submit the following amendment and remarks.

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